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CARRIZOZO SCHOOL NOTES

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The enrollment in the Carrizozo schools for the month of September was 341.

We wish to call the attention of parents and guardians to the fact that the compulsory school age in New Mexico is now from six to sixteen. The upper age was changed from fourteen to sixteen at the last session. A failure of parents or guardians to comply with this law by sending the children to school renders the offender liable to a fine of twenty-five dollars. Nearly all the boys and girls of Carrizozo, however, see the advantage of an education and are voluntarily in school.

The manual training department, under the supervision of Mr. Coxier, is doing fine work, and enjoyed it. Ten high school boys, working at ten different benches, earnestly and without conversation, make a very pretty sight. They are now making a large work bench; also a laboratory table for the class in physics.

The Carrizozo high school is now offering a strong course in the commercial branches, under the able direction of Miss Sullivan. There are two classes in typewriting—one for the boys and one for the girls. The school has seven typewriters, and the pupils are making rapid progress. There are also classes in book-keeping and commercial arithmetic.

We have sampled the cooking of the class in domestic science and have pronounced it good. Our girls are learning to cook the substantial things and not wasting any time on such trifles as frying bananas. Miss Machen is the divinity who presides over this department.

Miss Luton is the commander of the English forces in the high school. She teaches the mother tongue, the language in which we write and speak, the most important study of the high school. The work in English will be made very strong this year.

Besides the work of supervision, Mr. Cole has a class in Current World History, a class in physics, has charge of the music, and is assistant scout master of the Boy Scouts.

Spelling has been put into the high school, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The spelling is oral. This means that a great deal of ground can be covered in a short time and that every student hears the mistakes and the corrections.

The high school program has been so arranged that there are no recitations during the last half hour of the afternoon. On Tuesdays and Thursdays are the lessons in spelling. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays the last half hour is used for chorus work. Lately some very high grade coda music has been obtained, and the high school hopes to give a concert some time in the future.

Last Friday night, at the Kelley Chapel, Mr. Cole gave the boy scouts about an hour of military drill. The company has been divided into two platoons. Linza Branon has been appointed first lieutenant of the first platoon and John Boyd second lieutenant of the second platoon.

The paper of next week will tell of the good work being done by the teachers of the grades.

Six bottle coolers, or drinking fountains have just been received and set up in the halls of the

school buildings. Not a particle of dust or dirt of any kind can get into the inverted bottles unless at the time of filling. We urge parents to provide individual drinking cups for the children.

Tail End of the Storm

Carrizozo had its first real touch of fall weather this week. The tail end of the equinoctial gale that caused such destruction on the Gulf coast last week struck this end of the county Monday. There was a sudden drop in temperature, which caused the coal man to "smile his broadest smile." Stoves and overcoats were the order of the day. The winds died Wednesday, and were followed by rains. It is said, by the old timers that fine warm weather will return, and remain with us a month or so, before King Frost goes to bat.

SMITH PLEADS GUILTY

Armstrong Enters Plea of Not Guilty

El Paso, Sept. 25.—Albert C. Smith pleaded guilty to a charge of murder in connection with the death of Juan Romero, an El Paso service car driver, yesterday at his preliminary hearing before Judge Edwin Mechem at Las Cruces, N. M., and was held to the grand jury without bond. Judge Mechem had not made his decision last night in the case of Floyd Armstrong, arrested in connection with the case, who entered a plea of not guilty to the charge of murder made against him.

Romero, a driver on the 1010 stand, was called on Saturday night, September 6, to take two men to Deming. He is said to have been killed on the south Deming road, three miles west of the Borderland Inn. Smith later led officers to the spot where Romero is said to have been killed.

Judge Mechem will hear some legal argument Friday as to whether Armstrong's case is bailable.

School Children to Be Taught Thrift

The interest in thrift and the purchase of the little Thrift Stamp which is such a handy investment for small savings is not to be allowed to perish from the life of the school child just because the war is over. Regular lessons in thrift, in economical buying and systematic saving are a part now of most school courses.

Instances showing the waste of national resources, of oil, gas, lumber and coal, appalling to the mind of the mature thinker, are to be used as examples in education of the children now in school. The coming generation of Americans are not to be noted the world over for reckless extravagance as have their forebears.

There is no danger that they will swing to the opposite extreme of miserliness, for spending is the thing they are taught—spending that covers all necessities and legitimate pleasures, and also provides for that little corner of the future which belongs only to the man who has put aside a part of his income regularly for that purpose.

As a nation, Americans are far behind in the teaching as in the practice of true economy. The thrift lessons, the saving to buy the stamps which represent thrift, are among the best things the modern child will learn.

MINE SALE AT WHITE OAKS

A. H. Hudspeth became the owner this week of the Harrison group of mines at White Oaks. Among the group are three properties with which all old-time miners have a close acquaintance. They are the "Lady Godiva," the "Solitaire" and the "Rita," the latter giving the name to the group, the organization being known as the "Rita Consolidated Gold Mining company."

These properties were acquired in the early days of mining at White Oaks by John W. Harrison, of St. Louis, and B. H. Dye, now of Joplin, Mo. During the period these properties were held by the above-named gentlemen, more or less development work was done and an occasional mill run was made on small quantities of ore. Rich pockets of ore were encountered on each of these properties, but the lead lacked continuity and much of the work was done in an attempt to locate the main lode.

Notwithstanding these conditions, Mr. Hudspeth, by his purchase, showed his faith in the old camp, and many well informed mining men feel that he made a very attractive "buy." The deal involved \$5,000.00, and with a little additional development either of the properties of the group should quickly produce that amount of the precious yellow metal.

GRAND LODGE K. OF P.

The Knights of Pythias held their grand lodge meeting at Magdalena, Thursday and Friday of this week. Jno. A. Haley, George Dingwall and George McQuillen left Tuesday for Magdalena as delegates from Carrizozo Lodge No. 40. Around 60 delegates were expected to attend from the 21 lodges in the state. The membership in New Mexico is about 1,500, with a strong lodge in Carrizozo. It may be in order to state here that Attorney Geo. W. Prichard, of Carrizozo and Santa Fe is the founder of the order in New Mexico, having established the first lodge in the then territory of New Mexico in 1881, and a grand lodge in 1884, and has ever since taken an active part in lodge affairs, having passed through the different chairs including that of Grand Chancellor.

"Prisoners of War" Sent Back to Own Countries

Washington, D. C.—The War Department is preparing to repatriate the prisoners of war held in confinement during the period of hostilities. An ocean liner is to leave New York harbor carrying with it the political prisoners of war back to the lands where their real hearts' interests lie. These prisoners came to America to get what they could out of the country and when the war broke out they showed that their interest was elsewhere. They will be taken from Fort McPherson under guard to the waiting ocean liner, placed aboardship, and sent back to the soil from whence they came.

Minerals Worth \$5,000,000,000

Washington, Sept. 23.—The total value of minerals produced in the United States in 1918 was \$5,526,000,000, an increase of about \$500,000,000 over the output in 1917. The quantity produced last year was less than in the previous 12 months.

Look Out for the "Flu"

"Commenting on the possibility of a recurrence of epidemic influenza in the near future, the State Health Department expresses the view that at least local outbreaks may be expected during the coming fall and winter. The department advises that preparation should be made now, to meet possible emergencies arising from such outbreaks, by the previous organization of each community in such manner as to make the best use of available resources."

"While the epidemic which occurred last fall and winter exhibited some peculiarities which justify the hope that influenza will not sweep the country again," states Commissioner Waller, "it is not improbable that local outbreaks will occur in the near future. This view is based on the history of previous epidemics, of which recurrences have been characteristic."

"With the return of the disease a probability of no community should fail to prepare itself to meet a possible emergency, by previously organizing its local governmental agencies, civic societies, and other forces and resources, for the purpose of combating the spread of the disease and caring for the sick. The State Department of Health has prepared a program for such organization which is being sent to the local health officers throughout the state."

Something About The United States

(From the Merchants' Association of Greater New York.)

A public speaker recently pointed out that while the United States has only 6 per cent of the population of the world and only 7 per cent of the land, it produces:

Sixty per cent of the world's supply of copper.

Forty per cent of the world's supply of lead.

Fifty per cent of the world's supply of zinc.

Sixty per cent of the world's supply of aluminum.

Sixty-six per cent of the world's supply of oil.

Seventy-five per cent of the world's supply of corn.

Sixty per cent of the world's supply of cotton.

Forty per cent of the world's supply of silver.

Fifty-two per cent of the world's supply of coal.

Forty per cent of the world's supply of iron and steel.

Twenty per cent of the world's supply of gold.

Eighty-five per cent of the world's supply of automobiles.

Twenty-five per cent of the world's supply of wheat, and refines 80 per cent of the copper and operates 40 per cent of the world's railroads.

Help the American Legion

The local post of the American Legion will welcome the donation of books for its library. The Encyclopedia Press company has already tendered the Catholic encyclopedia, which has been accepted. The books may be left at any of the local banks or mailed to the post, in either case they will be taken in charge by the adjutant, Ben H. Horton, and disposed of in one of the local lodge rooms until such a time as the legion is able to arrange for permanent quarters.

E. M. BRICKLEY,
Post Commander.

Johnson's Fight Against Treaty Receives Jolt

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 24.—Thirty-eight well known men of San Francisco and vicinity sent today a joint telegram to United States Senator Hiram W. Johnson against his attitude on the peace treaty.

"We appeal to you to withdraw your opposition," the telegram said. "We are confident that in this we speak for the overwhelming majority of the people of California and that your present position does not represent them truly."

The telegram was signed by Charles C. Moore, former director of the state council of defense; Judge F. M. Angellotti, chief justice of the state supreme court; Justices Warren Olney, Jr., Curtis D. Wilbur and Lucien Shaw, associate justices of the state supreme court; Benjamin Ide Wheeler, former president of the University of California; Ray Lyman Wilbur, president of Stanford University; Judges Maurice T. Dooling and William C. Van Fleet of the United States district court; Will C. Wood, state superintendent of public instruction; Edwin O. Edgerton, chairman of the state railroad commission; Ralph P. Merritt, former federal food administrator in California; Rabbi Jacob Nieto and others.

Amendments are Defeated

The three proposed constitutional amendments, voted on by the people of New Mexico last Tuesday at a special election, were defeated, according to unofficial returns from over the state. The proposed amendment for a centralized board of control for all state institutions, was overwhelmingly beaten; the proposed road bond amendment, also was defeated by a big majority, and even the proposed amendment to permit soldiers to vote when away from home, was lost, many people believing that this amendment was a political "joker."

Considering the apathy displayed toward the election, the vote cast throughout the county was larger than expected.

Won by Six Americans

The Victoria Cross, the highest decoration that Great Britain bestows on a soldier for valor, has been won by six American "doughboys," which entitles the soldier to place V. C. after his name. The despatch dated London, Sept. 20, states:

"Six Americans, serving with Canadian troops, won Victoria Crosses during the great war."

British troops, numbering 5,000,000, were given 177 of the medals.

Five of the six Americans lived to receive the cross from the king; the sixth died in the performance of the deed that won him the honor.

The six are:
Sergeant W. L. Rayfield, V. C.
Sergeant G. H. Mullin, V. C., M. M.

Sergeant R. L. Zengel, V. C., M. M.

Captain B. S. Hutcheson, V. C., M. M.

Corporal W. H. Metcalf, V. C., M. M.

Corporal H. G. B. Miner, V. C. (deceased.)

It will be noted that four of the six have won the military medal or military cross, in addition to the victory cross."

NEWSY NEWS FROM OSCURO

We have been having fine rains for the past ten days, and was raining on Wednesday. Grass is good most everywhere and growing now, since the rains, very fast.

The Canadian-American Oil and Leasing company that is drilling here, have been having a lot of grief in getting their heavy timbers for repairs. One piece is lying at Alamogordo, but owing to the shortage of help at the saw mill, has not been loaded yet. But they think it will perhaps come in this week.

Mrs. E. G. Rafferty entertained the ladies of Oscura, with a chicken dinner, one day last week.

Miss Lois Bonnie, of El Paso, was here one day last week, looking over some of her oil property.

Ed. Howser and wife has moved in from the ranch, to devote his time in the oil business. His office will be in the building next to Grey's Merchandise store.

R. E. Tiller left for El Paso Friday, on business.

R. W. Gunion and Mr. Wellband went to Roswell, Saturday, returning Sunday night.

Lieutenants Evans, Kennedy, Gifford, all of the Canadian army, and stockholders in the oil company that is drilling here, and Mr. Lumbrisky, also a stockholder were for a few days looking over the companies' property. They came here from Vancouver. They were well pleased with everything and most favorably impressed with the field here.

School is in full sway. The teachers are well liked by the pupils, and the prospects for a good school this winter is very promising.

A. C. Letcher and family have moved in from the ranch, so that their children might have the benefit of a good school.

Sears Crockett has rented a dwelling here, and will move in to send his children to school.

Walter Jones, from the Jornada, was in for a day, and took out a load of feed and groceries.

Albert Scharf, George Murray, Pete Johnson, Jr. and Pete Johnson, Sr. all went to Hot Springs this week.

Miss Nora Kimmons, the primary teacher here, spent the week end with her parents, at Corona.

Heavy Rains In the Southwest

Rain which has been falling over the range country from Fort Worth to Deming, and from Kansas to El Paso, is probably the most valuable in recent years; at least almost as valuable as the rain which broke the recent drought which paralyzed the cattle business for four years, according to ranchmen in El Paso yesterday. The only thing that could now injure the stockmen would be frost that may follow the rain, but this is not likely to happen, they say.

Dalhart yesterday reported rain on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Other reports received by the Panhandle and Southwestern Stockmen's association show that rain fell, the latter part of last week at Clarendon, Canadian, Pecos and Alpine. Lincoln county and counties north, east and west have had heavy rains. Vaughn on the north had 48 hours steady rain the past week, and the Mesa, Capitan and Lincoln districts got their share.